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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: KINO et al

Serial No.: 09/665,617

Filed: September 19, 2000

For: METHOD FOR PRODUCING AMINO ACIDS BY FERMENTATION

Group: 1651

Examiner: I. Marx

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

May 3, 2004

Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application, Applicant hereby respectfully petitions for an extension of time to permit filing a response within the third month subsequent to expiration of the shortened statutory period set in the outstanding Office Action mailed November 3, 2003. A credit card charge in/including the amount of \$950.00 to cover the required fee for the requested extension of time is attached hereto.

It is respectfully requested that any shortage in the fee be charged to the account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP, Account No. 01-2135 (referencing Case No. 506.39084X00).

Respectfully submitted

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